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In re the Application of: )

KYRLIDIS, et al. )

Application No.: 09/654,182 )

Group Art Unit: 1741

Filed: September 1, 2000 )

Examiner: Arun S. PHASGE

For: CHROMATOGRAPHY AND OTHER ADSORPTIONS USING MODIFIED CARBON ADSORBENTS

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 17, 2003

Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration is in response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before January 23, 2002.

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

At page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1-10 and 16-49 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Funkenbusch et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,271,833) in view of Ghosal et al. (WO 97/47382). The Examiner acknowledges that Funkenbusch et al. does not